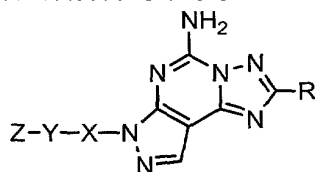


We claim:

1. Compounds having the structural formula

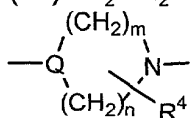


5 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein

R is R¹-furanyl, R¹-thienyl, R¹-pyridyl, R¹-pyridyl N-oxide, R¹-oxazolyl, R¹⁰-phenyl, R¹-pyrrolyl or C₄-C₆ cycloalkenyl;

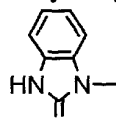
X is C₂-C₆ alkylene or -C(O)CH₂-;

Y is -N(R²)CH₂CH₂N(R³)-, -OCH₂CH₂N(R²)-, -O-, -S-, -CH₂S-, -(CH₂)₂-NH-, or

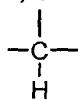


and

Z is R⁵-phenyl, R⁵-phenyl(C₁-C₆)alkyl, R⁵-heteroaryl, diphenylmethyl, R⁶-C(O)-,



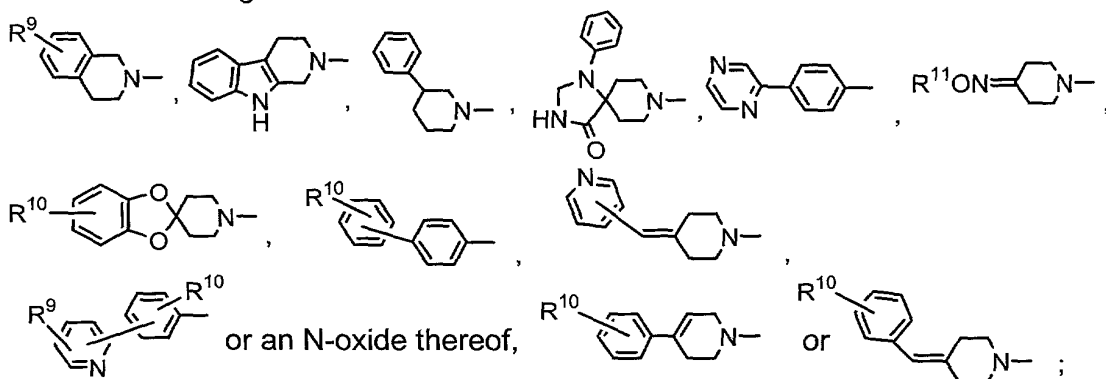
R⁶-SO₂-, R⁶-OC(O)-, R⁷-N(R⁸)-C(O)-, R⁷-N(R⁸)-C(S)-, phenyl-CH(OH)-, or



phenyl-C(=NOR²)-; or when Q is

or

Z and Y together are

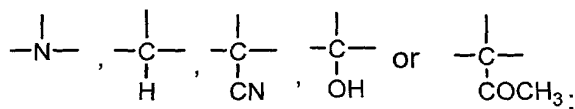


R¹ is 1 to 3 substituents independently selected from hydrogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, -CF₃, halogen, -NO₂, -NR¹²R¹³, C₁-C₆ alkoxy, C₁-C₆ alkylthio, C₁-C₆ alkylsulfinyl, and C₁-C₆ alkylsulfonyl;

R² and R³ are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C₁-C₆ alkyl;

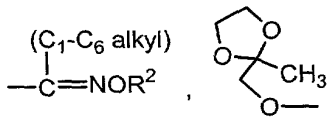
m and n are independently 2-3;

Q is



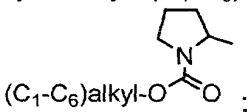
R⁴ is 1-2 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C₁-C₆alkyl, or two R⁴ substituents on the same carbon can form =O;

R⁵ is 1 to 5 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halogen, C₁-C₆ alkyl, hydroxy, C₁-C₆ alkoxy, -CN, di-((C₁-C₆)alkyl)amino, -CF₃, -OCF₃, acetyl, -NO₂, hydroxy(C₁-C₆)alkoxy, (C₁-C₆)-alkoxy(C₁-C₆)alkoxy, di-((C₁-C₆)-alkoxy)(C₁-C₆)alkoxy, (C₁-C₆)-alkoxy(C₁-C₆)alkoxy-(C₁-C₆)-alkoxy, carboxy(C₁-C₆)-alkoxy, (C₁-C₆)-alkoxycarbonyl(C₁-C₆)alkoxy, (C₃-C₆)cycloalkyl(C₁-C₆)alkoxy, di-((C₁-C₆)alkyl)amino(C₁-C₆)alkoxy, morpholinyl, (C₁-C₆)alkyl-SO₂-, (C₁-C₆)alkyl-SO₂-(C₁-C₆)alkoxy, tetrahydropyranyloxy, (C₁-C₆)alkylcarbonyl(C₁-C₆)-alkoxy, (C₁-C₆)-alkoxycarbonyl, (C₁-C₆)alkylcarbonyloxy(C₁-C₆)-alkoxy, -SO₂NH₂, phenoxy,



or adjacent R⁵ substituents together are -O-CH₂-O-, -O-CH₂CH₂-O-, -O-CF₂-O- or -O-CF₂CF₂-O- and form a ring with the carbon atoms to which they are attached;

R⁶ is (C₁-C₆)alkyl, R⁵-phenyl, R⁵-phenyl(C₁-C₆)alkyl, thienyl, pyridyl, (C₃-C₆)-cycloalkyl, (C₁-C₆)alkyl-OC(O)-NH-(C₁-C₆)alkyl-, di-((C₁-C₆)alkyl)aminomethyl, or



R⁷ is (C₁-C₆)alkyl, R⁵-phenyl or R⁵-phenyl(C₁-C₆)alkyl;

R⁸ is hydrogen or C₁-C₆ alkyl; or R⁷ and R⁸ together are -(CH₂)_p-A-(CH₂)_q, wherein p and q are independently 2 or 3 and A is a bond, -CH₂-, -S- or -O-, and form a ring with the nitrogen to which they are attached;

R⁹ is 1-2 groups independently selected from hydrogen, C₁-C₆ alkyl, hydroxy, C₁-C₆ alkoxy, halogen, -CF₃ and (C₁-C₆)alkoxy(C₁-C₆)alkoxy ;

R¹⁰ is 1 to 5 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halogen, C₁-C₆ alkyl, hydroxy, C₁-C₆ alkoxy, -CN, -NH₂, C₁-C₆alkylamino, di-((C₁-C₆)alkyl)amino, -CF₃, -OCF₃ and -S(O)₀₋₂(C₁-C₆)alkyl;

R¹¹ is H, C₁-C₆ alkyl, phenyl, benzyl, C₂-C₆ alkenyl, C₁-C₆ alkoxy(C₁-C₆)alkyl, di-((C₁-C₆)alkyl)amino(C₁-C₆)alkyl, pyrrolidinyl(C₁-C₆)alkyl or piperidino(C₁-C₆)alkyl;

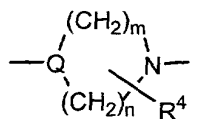
R^{12} is H or C_1-C_6 alkyl; and

R^{13} is $(C_1-C_6)alkyl-C(O)-$ or $(C_1-C_6)alkyl-SO_2-$.

2. A compound of claim 1 wherein R is R^1 -furanyl.

3. A compound of claim 1 wherein X is C_2-C_6 alkylene.

4. A compound of claim 1 wherein Y is



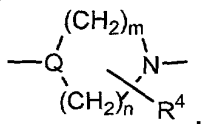
5. A compound of claim 5 wherein Q is $\begin{array}{c} | \\ -N- \\ | \end{array}$ or $\begin{array}{c} | \\ -CH- \\ | \end{array}$.

6. A compound of claim 5 wherein m and n are each 2, and R^4 is H.

7. A compound of claim 1 wherein Z is R^5 -phenyl, R^5 -heteroaryl, $R^6-C(O)-$ or R^6-SO_2- .

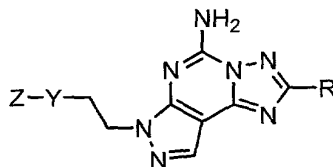
8. A compound of claim 7 wherein R^5 is H, halogen, C_1-C_6 alkyl, C_1-C_6 alkoxy, hydroxy(C_1-C_6)alkoxy or $(C_1-C_6)alkoxy(C_1-C_6)alkoxy$, or R^6 is R^5 -phenyl.

9. A compound of claim 1 wherein R is R^1 -furanyl, X is C_2-C_6 alkylene, Y is



Q is $\begin{array}{c} | \\ -N- \\ | \end{array}$ or $\begin{array}{c} | \\ -CH- \\ | \end{array}$, m and n are each 2, R^4 is H, Z is R^5 -phenyl, R^5 -heteroaryl, $R^6-C(O)-$ or R^6-SO_2- , R^5 is H, halogen, C_1-C_6 alkyl, C_1-C_6 alkoxy, hydroxy(C_1-C_6)alkoxy or $(C_1-C_6)alkoxy(C_1-C_6)alkoxy$, and R^6 is R^5 -phenyl.

10. A compound of claim 1 selected from the group consisting of compounds of the formula



wherein R and Z-Y are as defined in the following table:

Z-Y-	R

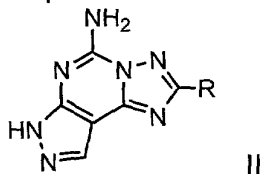
11. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of claim 1 in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

5 12. A method of treating central nervous system diseases or stroke, comprising administering an effective amount of a compound of formula I to a mammal in need of such treatment.

13. A method of claim 12 for treating depression, cognitive diseases and neurodegenerative diseases.

14. A method of claim 13 for treating Parkinson's disease, senile dementia or psychoses of organic origin.

15. A process of preparing a compound of formula II



wherein R is R¹-furanyl, R¹-thienyl, R¹-pyridyl, R¹-pyridyl N-oxide, R¹-oxazolyl, R¹⁰-phenyl, R¹-pyrrolyl or C₄-C₆ cycloalkenyl;

R¹ is 1 to 3 substituents independently selected from hydrogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, -CF₃, halogen, -NO₂, -NR¹²R¹³, C₁-C₆ alkoxy, C₁-C₆ alkylthio, C₁-C₆ alkylsulfinyl, and C₁-C₆ alkylsulfonyl;

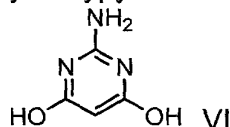
R¹⁰ is 1 to 5 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halogen, C₁-C₆ alkyl, hydroxy, C₁-C₆ alkoxy, -CN, -NH₂, C₁-C₆alkylamino, di-((C₁-C₆)alkyl)amino, -CF₃, -OCF₃ and -S(O)₀₋₂(C₁-C₆)alkyl;

R¹² is H or C₁-C₆ alkyl; and

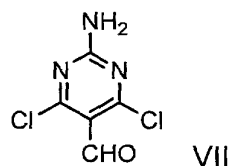
R¹³ is (C₁-C₆)alkyl-C(O)- or (C₁-C₆)alkyl-SO₂-;

comprising

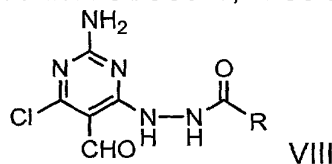
(1) treating 2-amino-4,6-dihydroxypyrimidine



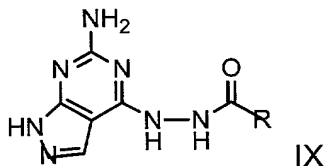
with POCl₃ in dimethylformamide to obtain 2-amino-4,6-dichloropyrimidine-5-carboxaldehyde



(2) treating carboxaldehyde VII with a hydrazide of the formula H₂N-NH-C(O)-R, wherein R is as defined above, to obtain

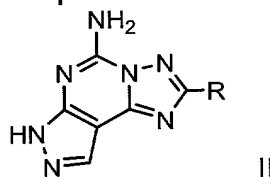


(3) treating the intermediate of formula VIII with hydrazine hydrate to form a pyrazolo ring, thus obtaining the intermediate of formula IX



(4) forming the desired compound of formula II by dehydrative rearrangement.

16. A process for preparing a compound of the formula II



wherein R is R¹-furanyl, R¹-thienyl, R¹-pyridyl, R¹-pyridyl N-oxide, R¹-oxazolyl, R¹⁰-phenyl, R¹-pyrrolyl or C₄-C₆ cycloalkenyl;

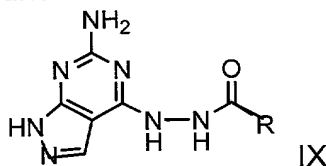
R¹ is 1 to 3 substituents independently selected from hydrogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, -CF₃, halogen, -NO₂, -NR¹²R¹³, C₁-C₆ alkoxy, C₁-C₆ alkylthio, C₁-C₆ alkylsulfinyl, and C₁-C₆ alkylsulfonyl;

R¹⁰ is 1 to 5 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halogen, C₁-C₆ alkyl, hydroxy, C₁-C₆ alkoxy, -CN, -NH₂, C₁-C₆alkylamino, di-((C₁-C₆)alkyl)amino, -CF₃, -OCF₃ and -S(O)₀₋₂(C₁-C₆)alkyl;

R¹² is H or C₁-C₆ alkyl; and

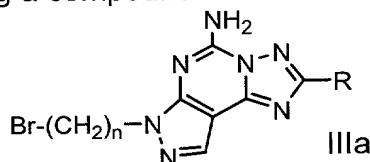
R¹³ is (C₁-C₆)alkyl-C(O)- or (C₁-C₆)alkyl-SO₂-;

comprising converting a compound of formula IX



into the desired compound of formula II by dehydrative rearrangement.

17. A process for preparing a compound of formula IIIa



wherein R is R¹-furanyl, R¹-thienyl, R¹-pyridyl, R¹-pyridyl N-oxide, R¹-oxazolyl, R¹⁰-phenyl, R¹-pyrrolyl or C₄-C₆ cycloalkenyl;

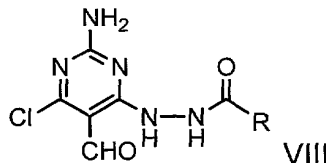
R¹ is 1 to 3 substituents independently selected from hydrogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, -CF₃, halogen, -NO₂, -NR¹²R¹³, C₁-C₆ alkoxy, C₁-C₆ alkylthio, C₁-C₆ alkylsulfinyl, and C₁-C₆ alkylsulfonyl;

R^{10} is 1 to 5 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halogen, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, hydroxy, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, -CN, $-NH_2$, C_1 - C_6 alkylamino, di-((C_1 - C_6)alkyl)amino, $-CF_3$, $-OCF_3$ and $-S(O)_{0-2}(C_1-C_6)alkyl$;

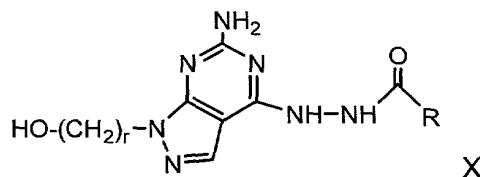
R^{12} is H or C_1 - C_6 alkyl; and

R^{13} is (C_1 - C_6)alkyl-C(O)- or (C_1 - C_6)alkyl-SO₂-;
comprising

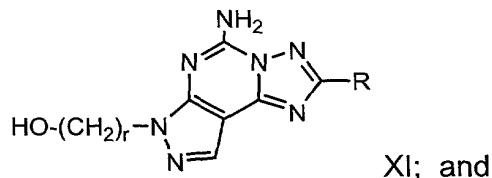
(1) treating a chloride of formula VIII



with a hydroxyalkyl hydrazine of the formula $HO-(CH_2)_r-NHNH_2$, wherein r is 2-6, to obtain



(2) cyclizing the intermediate of formula X by dehydrative rearrangement to obtain the tricyclic intermediate of formula XI



(3) converting the hydroxy compound of formula XI to the bromide of formula IIIa.

18. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a therapeutically effective amount of a combination of a compound of claim 1 and 1 to 3 other agents useful in treating Parkinson's disease in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier

19. A method of treating Parkinson's disease comprising administering to a mammal in need of such treatment an effective amount of a combination of a compound of claim 1 and 1 to 3 other agents useful in treating Parkinson's disease.

20. The method of claim 19 wherein the other agents are selected from the group consisting of L-DOPA, dopaminergic agonists, MAO-B inhibitors, DOPA decarboxylase inhibitors and COMT inhibitors.